

OFFICE OF THE FOOD CONTROLLER AND DIRECTOR OF CIVIL
SUPPLIES IN MYSORE.

REVIEW FOR OCTOBER 1920.

Dated 13th November 1920.

1. *Burma rice.*—An allotment of one thousand tons was sanctioned by the Deputy Food-stuffs Commissioner for India for the month, but it was resigned as sufficient stocks were available out of the imports of previous months.

The balance of rice out of September allotment that had remained to be imported at the close of September, *viz.*, 685 tons was fully imported during the month. The total imports of Burma rice into the State from the beginning come to 52,746 tons costing Rs. 82,27,225.

2. *Imports by road.*—According to returns received from the frontier lookads, these were as follows:—

	Tons.
Rice (unhusked)	311.143
Rice (husked)	145.926
Ragi	20.226
Jola	2.63
Horse gram	1.8

3. *Arrangements with the Madras Presidency and Coorg.*—Under the orders of Government, 674 tons of controlled food grains were allowed to be exported into the Madras Presidency as requested by the Director of Civil Supplies, Madras, as against 620 tons allowed in previous months. Exports to Coorg remained unaltered.

4. *Exports by road.*—

	Tons.
Rice (unhusked)	Nil.
Rice (husked)	138.157
Ragi	129.55
Jola	23.4
Horse gram	46.575

The bulk of the exports was to the Nilgiris, the Malabar, Wynaad, Coorg, Hosur Taluk and Kollegal.

5. *Stocks.*—The stocks of food grains available on the last day of the month in the Government and Municipal Depots in the State were 15,633.85 pallas of Burma whole rice and 496.65 pallas of broken rice, details for which are as follows:—

	Burma rice. pallas.	Broken rice pallas.
1. Provincial Grain Depot, Bangalore	14,504.00	480.00
2. District & Taluk Depots	1,024.40	16.65
3. Bangalore City Municipal Depot	105.45	...
Total	15,633.85	496.65

6. *Issues.*—The issues from the Provincial Grain Depot, Bangalore, during the month were as follows:—

	Burma rice Pallas	Broken rice Pallas
1. To the Bangalore City Municipal Depot...	1,197.00	...
2. „ Civil and Military Station	...	175.00
3. „ local merchants	1,797.00	21.00
4. „ the public direct	68.00	3.00
5. „ Co-operative Societies	513.00	173.00

The issues from the District and Taluk Depots were only 178 pallas and 57 seers of Burma whole rice and 2 pallas and 33 seers of broken rice. The supplies to the public through the Municipal Depot in the Bangalore City out of Government stocks were 1,260 pallas and 84 seers as against 1,780 pallas 80 seers in the previous month.

7. *General.*—Markets were fairly well supplied during the month. The prices of food stuffs however continued unchanged. The standing crops were in good condition. There was sufficient rainfall in the latter part of the month. The price of ragi ranged between Rs. 74 and Rs. 88 in the Bangalore City and in Tumkur. It was retailed at 10 to 11 seers per rupee in parts of Shimoga, Chitaldrug and Mysore Districts. In other parts of the State it was sold at 6½ to 9 seers per rupee. Local rice was sold at 5 to 6 seers in parts of Shimoga, Kadir and Hassan Districts, and 3½ to 4½ seers per rupee in the other parts of the State. Jola was sold at 10 to 11 seers in parts of Mysore and Chitaldrug Districts and at 6 to 9 seers in the other parts of the State. The demand for Burma rice everywhere was slack.

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